



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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RE: P-MUR 520
Michael and Sharon Ensign

Dear Mr. Siegel and Mr. Belding:

On May 19, 2011, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients that it had received information in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities indicating that your clients may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. The matter is currently under review by the Office of the General Counsel. This letter is to advise you that we anticipate that the Commission will vote on the matter in or before October, 2012. After the Commission votes, you will receive notification of the Commission's determination.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. §§ 437g(a)(4)(B) and 437g(a)(12)(A) unless your clients notify the Commission in writing that they wish the matter to be made public. Please note that your clients have a legal obligation to preserve all documents, records, and materials relating to this matter until such time as you are notified that the Commission has closed its file in this matter. See 18 U.S.C. § 1519.

This status report is being provided in accordance with Commission Directive 68 (Enforcement Procedures), available at www.fec.gov. If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Audra Hale-Maddox". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Audra Hale-Maddox
Attorney, Enforcement Division
Federal Election Commission

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